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PART II



SECRETARIAT OF THE KERALA LEGISLATURE

NOTIFICATION

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The Kerala Civil Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2012 together with the Statement of Object and Reasons & the Financial Memorandum is published, under Rule 69 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Kerala Legislative Assembly.

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Thirteenth Kerala Legislative Assembly
Bill No. 90

THE KERALA CIVIL COURTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2012

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further to amend the Kerala Civil Courts Act, 1957.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Civil Courts Act, 1957 for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Sixty-third Year of the Republic of India, as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2012.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of Section 11.*—In sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Kerala Civil Courts Act, 1957 (1 of 1957) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), for the words “one lakh rupees”, the words “seven lakh and fifty thousand rupees” shall be substituted.

3. *Amendment of Section 13.*—In sub-section (1) of section 13 of the principal Act, for the words “two lakh rupees”, the words “twenty lakh rupees” shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

As per sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Kerala Civil Courts Act, 1957 the pecuniary jurisdiction of Munsiff Court is one lakh rupees and as per sub-section (1) of section 13 of the said Act, the appellate pecuniary jurisdiction of District Court is two lakh rupees. The High Court of Kerala proposed amendments to the said provisions so to enhance the pecuniary jurisdiction of the Munsiff Court and the appellate pecuniary jurisdiction of the District Court on account of exorbitant hike in the price of land. Government have accepted the proposal of the High Court and decided to amend sub-section (2) of section 11 and sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Kerala Civil Courts Act, 1957.

The Bill is intended to achieve the above object.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The Bill, if enacted and brought into operation, would not involve any expenditure out of the Consolidated Fund of the State.

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